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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Submission (s) of 35 U.S.C. § 133, effective on May 22, 2002,
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application
filed on or after June 8, 1998.
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/752,379	
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Examiner Name	N. J. Patel	
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 22, 2002. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 22, 2002, applicant may wish to consider filing a completed prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83 (as PTO-G225) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term extension provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Prosecution Application Practice Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50022 (Aug. 18, 2000); interim rule, 63 Fed. Reg. 14083 (Mar. 20, 2000); 1233 OPR (Mar. 11, 2000), which established this practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.115 previously filed on _____
 (Any unstated amendment(s) related to above will be ignored).
 ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 i. Amendment/Reply
 ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 iv. Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension must not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) required)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees

- The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) is reduced by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0510
 i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
 iii. Other _____
- b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
 c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2003 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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